

## **EDINA AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASK FORCE**

### **Meeting Minutes**

**May 11, 2005**

**7:30 AM – Community Room**

**(Revised 6-22-05)**

**Members Present: Bob Aderhold, Val Burke, Hal Clapp, Kandace Ellis, John Helling, Mike Huck, Doug Johnson, Sally Krusell, Scott Massie, Doug Mayo, Barb McFarlane, Sharon Ming, Cappy Moore, Joan Naymark, Janice Williams**

**Staff: Susan Heiberg & Joyce Repya**

**Chair Mayo called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM.**

### **Announcements**

- **Minutes of the April 13<sup>th</sup> meeting will be edited and brought back for approval.**
- **Member Ellis has been appointed Vice Chair of the Task Force.**
- **Members Ellis, Aderhold, and Massie volunteered to organize a picnic for members of the Task Force.**
- **Member Brevig has submitted her resignation.**
- **The small groups will not meet in two weeks; instead, this time will be spent by the entire Task Force reviewing the needs assessment.**

### **Community Land Trust**

**Janet Lindbo was introduced and welcomed. Janet is from “Homes within Reach,” formerly known as West Hennepin Affordable Housing Land Trust. She provided handouts and the following basic information:**

- **In a land trust, the cost of the land is removed from the financial scheme of housing to make it affordable.**
- **It supports first-time home buyers.**
- **It provides long-term affordability and stabilizes the community.**
- **The trust involves multiple funding sources—federal, state, local, HUD, Metropolitan Council.**

### **Minnesota Housing Finance Agency**

**Jack Jenkins, Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, was introduced and welcomed. He also provided handouts. He stated that due to the income/homebuyer gap having increased in the past 15 years, the following steps could be taken:**

- **Preserve existing rental stock.**

- Upgrade existing affordable housing stock.
- Make zoning codes more flexible.
- Consider building group homes.

### **Task Force Survey**

**Member Ming reported the results of the recent survey administered to the Task Force Members.**

- The survey was an opportunity after six months to review the original mission statement and the nine objectives of the Task Force.
- A copy of the survey results is attached to these minutes.
- It was pointed out that the results conclude that none of the nine objectives has been completed.
- Some members of the Task Force thought the survey demonstrated that work on all tasks had been started and satisfactory progress made on some objectives.
- The consultants shared that the work has been pursued in chronological order, with objectives completed which relate to the needs assessment.
- Some members of the Task Force stated that it is not clear what the Task Force is trying to accomplish and that the group needs to refocus on the nine objectives.
- It was suggested that an executive committee be created to oversee the process by preparing the meetings and setting the agendas.

### **Agenda for Next Meeting**

**For the Task Force meeting on May 25, 2005, the following items were identified for the agenda:**

- Create an executive committee.
- Review the work plan outline created by the consultants.
- Review the School District survey for employees.

### **Adjournment**

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 AM.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Doug Mayo, Chair  
Edina Affordable Housing Task Force**

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**Attachment: survey results**